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REMARKS

Applicants sincerely thank the Examiner for agreeing to consider the Amendment filed herein in conjunction with the Response filed on March 1, 2004. Claims 1-39 are presented, based on the text throughout the application, including the Examples and the original claims. In the March 1, 2004 Response, Claim 1 was amended, along with Claims 2, 9-11, 22-27, 31 and 33. New Claims 39 and 40 were also added in the March 1, 2004 Response.

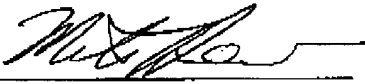
The previous Claim 1 amendment deleted "N" from the Markush group members for substituent A. However, Applicants inadvertently did not also delete "NH" from this same Markush group. In a telephonic conversation on March 10, 2004, Examiner Kifle indicated that such error should be corrected by filing a Supplemental Amendment. Accordingly, in further response to the October 30, 2003 Office Action, as originally responded to on March 1, 2004, Applicants have amended Claim 1 herein to delete "NH" from the Markush group members for substituent A. No new matter is added. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application, as amended and responded to herein, is respectfully requested.

This amendment serves to clarify the invention by simply correcting an inadvertent error made in the previously sent Response. The instant amendment does not introduce new matter and is fully supported by the instant disclosure. As stated in the previous Response, this amendment merely results in a slightly limited Markush group, rather than a new subgenus. Since such a slightly limited group is adequately supported and described by the original group disclosure, amended Claim 1 satisfies the § 112, first paragraph, written description requirement.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks it is firmly believed that the subject invention is in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

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